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TO AMEMBASSY MANILA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BMEP, RP

SUBJ: PROPOSED PHILIPPINE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

REF: MANILA'S 12922

1. DISCUSSION WITH TERRELL ARNOLD PRECIPITATED  
COMMERCE PROJECT REVIEW WITH WORLD BANK, BURNS & ROE,  
EBASCO, AND BECHTEL.

2. ALL THREE ENGINEERING FIRMS FEEL THAT THE AWARD  
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES WILL GO TO A U.S. FIRM.  
BURNS & ROE AND EBASCO HAVE SUBMITTED PROPOSALS.  
BECHTEL WILL DECIDE THIS WEEK ON WHETHER THEY WILL  
BID. ALL THREE FIRMS FEEL THAT PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT  
PREFERS U.S. EQUIPMENT; HOWEVER, EXPRESSED CONCERN  
WITH REQUIRED GOP TERMS OF FINANCING. ONE FIRM  
STATED BELIEF THAT BEST EXIM LOAN REPAYMENT TERMS  
MIGHT BE 15 YEARS COMPARED TO TERMS STATED IN  
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REFERENCE. FIRMS DO NOT FEEL THAT CANADIANS WOULD

BE SERIOUS FACTOR IN THIS INITIAL CONSULTANT  
SELECTION PHASE UNLESS THEY COME  
IN WITH COMPLETE  
PACKAGE OFFERING ENGINEERING SERVICES, NUCLEAR POWER  
PLANT EQUIPMENT, AND LONG-TERM CONCESSIONARY  
FINANCING.

3. UNDERSTAND EXIM HAS ISSUED COMMITMENT ONE OF THE  
FIRMS FOR FEASIBILITY AND SITE INVESTIGATION STUDY  
ONLY AND THAT NO GOP REQUEST FOR PROJECT FINANCING  
HAS BEEN RECEIVED. WORLD BANK ADVISES THAT GOP HAS  
NOT FORMALLY REQUESTED PROJECT FINANCING; FURTHER,  
U.S. FIRMS FEEL THAT WORLD BANK HAS TO DATE NOT  
FINANCED NUCLEAR PROJECT EQUIPMENT AND THEREFORE  
DOUBT THAT THEY WOULD IN THIS CASE.

4. TE WORLD  
BANK'S KNAPP HAS NOT YET RETURNED TO  
WASHINGTON FROM TRIP.

5. COMMERCE WILL ADVISE WHEN BECHTEL'S DECISION

KNOWN AND OF ANY OTHER PROJECT DEVELOPMENTS. WILL  
ALSO APPRECIATE INFORMATION RELATING TO CANADIANS  
EFFORT. KISSINGER

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